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Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 250X), Norfolk Southern Railway Company -  
Abandonment Exemption - in Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois -  
Notice of Exemption

Dear Mr. Williams:

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) has not abandoned the line that is the subject of the captioned proceeding. The interim trail use negotiation condition in this matter is schedule to expire on June 27, 2005. NSR continues to negotiate with the Urbana Park District for an interim trail use agreement with respect to the subject line. NSR consents to the Board's issuance of a 180-day extension of the trail use negotiation condition that has already been requested by the Urbana Park District.

Very truly yours,

James R. Paschall

cc via fax: 217-344-9585 Mr. Todd Peck, Project Manager  
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